

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 3, rewrite heading "Scope of the Invention" as:

~~Background of the Invention~~

Page 3, line 9, rewrite heading "State of the Art" as:

~~Description of the Related Art~~

Page 4, line 5, insert:

~~Brief Description of the Drawing~~

FIG.1 is a reaction scheme for the general synthesis of compounds of formula (I).

Delete the paragraph which begins at page 6, line 13 and insert the following:

To provide an example, Fig.1 presents the general synthesis of compounds of formula (I) in which $X_1 = X_2 = X_3 = X_4 = -CONH-$.

Delete page 29.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 1-13 as follows:

1. (Amended) A monocyclic compound having the [general] formula (I):